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Councilmember Marni von Wilpert to Co-Chair Committee Focused on City's COVID-19 Response and Recovery

SAN DIEGO- Today, the San Diego City Council unanimously approved the creation of the Special Issues Council Committee on COVID-19 Response and Recovery. This committee will:

- o Focus and streamline the City's short-term and long-term response and recovery plans,
- o Monitor and evaluate the impact and effectiveness of regulations enacted already,
- o Provide a forum for the council to receive input from the community on our response,
- Provide oversight and make recommendations on the distribution of state and federal COVID-19 relief funding and programs so we direct emergency aid to struggling small businesses, not just big corporations, and,
- Address equity and disparities in our communities that have been exacerbated by the pandemic.

"As our city continues to grapple with the health and economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, I am determined to do everything within my power to make sure that we get through this crisis together as a city. In partnership with the County and the Mayor, this new committee will focus our efforts to defeat this virus by increasing our city's response to help residents and small businesses recover now and in the future."

Councilmember von Wilpert will co-chair this committee with Council President Jennifer Campbell, and will serve with Council President Pro Tem Stephen Whitburn and Councilmember Sean Elo-Rivera.

Councilmember Marni von Wilpert represents San Diego's Fifth District including the communities of Black Mountain Ranch, Carmel Mountain Ranch, Miramar Ranch North, Rancho Bernardo, Rancho Encantada (Stonebridge), Rancho Peñasquitos, Sabre Springs, San Pasqual, Scripps Ranch and Torrey Highlands.